(ङ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण है?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय में शिक्षा विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुंही राम सैकिया): (क) और (ख) प्रभारी प्रधानाचार्य और प्रवर श्रेणी लिपिक, केन्द्रीय विद्यालय, आई.डी.पी.एल. ऋषिकेश के विरूद्ध कुछ शिकायतें 1995-96 के दौरान प्राप्त हुई थीं जिसमें दाखिलों, फर्नीचर की खरीद आदि में अनियमितताएं बरतने के आरोप लगाए गए हैं।

(ग) जी हां।

(घ) और (ङ) प्रारंभिक जांच के परिणामों के आधार पर प्रभारी प्रधानाचार्य सहित दो कर्मचारियों को स्थानान्तरित कर दिया गया है। उनके विरूद्ध अनुशासनिक कार्रवाई करने के आदेश भी जारी कर दिए गए हैं।

Surplus workforce in Railways

1646. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways have made any study regarding its surplus workforce;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Railways to utilise the surplus workforce gainfully?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) A diagnostic study on Manpower for Indian Railways was conducted in 1990. Among the important findings of the Study are that there is a need to do manpower planning to provide the necessary projections and profiles of staff in order to have a rational recruitment and training policy for improving the productivity of staff. The study also identifies redundancies due to modernisation and changes in the system of working and envisages redeployment of surplus staff for new activities or expanding activity centres and cost control.

(c) The staff rendered surplus due to closure of redundant activities and upgradation in the technology are redeployed to new activity centres after giving them training, wherever necessary. The redeployment of surplus staff is given the highest priority and their absorption has precedence over all other mode of recruitments.

Silting of Loktak Lake

1647. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the silting of one of the largest lakes of India i.e. Loktak in Manipur;

(b) if so, whether it has affected the production of power from that lake; and

(c) if so, the remedial measures proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPTAIN JAI NARAIN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) Yes, Sir. As per the reports of the State Government of Manipur, Loktak Lake is experiencing accummulation of silt due to various reasons.

(b) Siltation of the Loktak Lake has not affected the power generation from the project so far.

(c) Loktak Lake is one of the 18 wetlands selected for intensive conservation and management under the Wetland Programme. Under this programme the Union Ministry of Environment and Forests has provided an amount of Rs. 154.15 lakhs to the State Government of Manipur for lake conservation and management activities. These activities include survey and demarcation, afforestation, plantation of horticultural crops, control of water hyacinth, removal of phumdis and generating awareness. In addition, the State Government has taken up conservation and development activities in Loktak Lake area through State Plan funds. North Eastern Council grants and special grants received through the Ninth Finance Commission Award. The 10th Finance Commission has recommended Rs. 30 crores for the "Maintenance and Preservation of Loktak Lake". The Government of Manipur has in this regard prepared an action plan which includes activities like desiltation of lake and its feeding channels, control of phumdis and catchment area treatment.